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During the investigation into sexual exploitation of youth, by a Provincial Court Judge in Prince George, the following people were named as having been involved with local sex trade workers. These allegations have not been followed up on. When the women were initially interviewed they were asked if they had been involved with "any person in authority" and from this question it was learned that police officers and other prominent people in our community may be utilizing the services of the young prostitutes.

Most of these women mentioned in this report are sex trade workers unless I have noted otherwise. It should be noted that the Ministry workers have heard their information from these sex trade workers and have relayed it to the police.

In this report I have included all the police officers and other people in authority that have been named by the sex trade workers. Some of these allegations have no substance at all and are only mentioned in this report as they have been disclosed by the various people. There is a lot of third hand information and rumours and there is no way to track it to the original source. When some of the sex trade workers that were named as having been involved with police officers were approached, they denied any involvement.

These young sex trade workers are very reluctant to discuss this matter involving people in authority and only through persistence have they opened up at all. Some of the women are unsure of the names of the police officers and state they "think" it was that particular person. I feel something is going on in our community, but to what extent is difficult to track down. Some of the sex trade workers state they fear giving out any information as they know it will become public knowledge and the police officer may come after them. They also do not want to be labelled a "rat" for providing the information.

There are some very serious allegations of sexual assaults, however the young women did not provide names of the police officers involved. I do not know if this was the result of not knowing their names or if they fear for their own safety.

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The following police officers have been named in this report. (** Please note that some of the names mentioned are rumours only and the women seemed uncertain if they even had the right name **)

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The following is an account of information that has been gleaned through the original investigation surrounding a Provincial Court Judge. As previously noted there is a lot of third hand information.

Ministry workers information (third hand information)

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The following lawyers and other prominent people have been named as using the services of the street trade workers:

As previously mentioned there are a lot of rumours and hear-say regarding allegations against police officers and other people in authority. They are documented in this report as they have been brought to our attention and are being forwarded for your review and possible further investigation. I am not sure if any of these sex trade workers are willing to come forward in an official capacity with this information.

Should you require further information, please contact Cpl. Judy Thomas at 250-561-3355. It should be noted that the investigation surrounding the Provincial Court Judge is still ongoing.

JA Thomas, Cpl. Serious Crime unit

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The following information is related to the ongoing investigation into the allegation of sexual misconduct and physical abuse by Judge RAMSAY. This investigation spans a time frame from 1999-04-01 to present.

This complaint originally came to the RCMP attention on 1999-04-01. Sgt. Kirk NEVISON attended a Youth Services Committee meeting when requested to speak to him about a youth in care. related that a youth, had disclosed to a staff member, that:

- she was having sex for money with a local Provincial Court Judge.
- she had received consideration when she appeared before him in court.
- she had recently been before him and had received a "slap on the wrist", while everyone expected she would receive jail time.

provided the name of the judge as His Honour, Judge

RAMSAY.

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On 99-06-11, this matter was turned over to S/Sgt. HAMILTON of Prince George GIS for further investigation.

On 99-08-09, Cpl. (Cst) Judy THOMAS met with S/Sgt. KILDEN and it was requested she follow-up on this investigation.

On 99-08-10, Cpl. THOMAS obtained a taped statement from

- that she (had been picked up by a judge
- she stated it was Judge RAMSAY

The information provided to Cpl. THOMAS in the statement is consistent with the original information provided to Sgt. NEVISON.

Cpl. THOMAS indicated the street girls do not want to give up names of their client judges, police officers and lawyers, as they pay well, up to seven hundred dollars (\$700.00) and they also feel nothing will be done as they are persons in authority.

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On 2000-06-09, Reconnect Worker for Sexually Exploited Youth contacted Cpl. THOMAS. She provided information that two young ladies had spoken to about Judge RAMSAY. did not wish to provide the names of these girls. In order to obtain the information without naming the girls and breaking confidentiality referred to them as A, B and C.

- indicated Girl A disclosed:
- She was picked up by Judge RAMSAY sometime between November/December,
 1999
- They drove to an isolated area
- The judge physically assaulted her and then had sexual intercourse.
- Girl A indicated she did not realize it was a judge until she was in the court house one day and saw him sitting in the judge's chair.

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Girl B, was sitting with Girl A when she disclosed. She stated:

She had similar dealings with Judge RAMSAY, but did not provide any other details.

Girl A indicated she was frightened and felt intimidated and stated "He's a judge you know, I'm scared shitless of this getting out". Both Girl A and B feel Judge RAMSAY is untouchable and in the "God" category and both are very frightened.

Girl A also mentioned she has also been involved with Constable HARRIS

They had picked her up for dates. No other information was provided.

ON 2000-06-09, Cpl. THOMAS met with S/Sgt KILDEN and advised him of the two recently named RCMP officers, as having dated the working girls. He was advised this is third hand information and at this time, we don't have the names of the girls who have provided this information.

On 2000-06-13, Cpl. THOMAS obtained a statement from Worker. She related second hand information she heard from related that Judge RAMSAY was her "john" as well as a "John" for indicated that is a regular with Judge RAMSAY.

stated she had been with Judge

(MCF) Youth Care

RAMSAY only on one occasion.

also stated she had been with off duty police officers, but

did not provide any names.

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On 2001-01-12, Cst. MONFETTE contacted

indicated she did not know if Judge RAMSAY was still actively picking up girls.

stated that her friend,

told her Cst. HARRIS was taking her out

regularly.

On 2001-12-07, Cst. Wanda MEISNER was contacted by

Melville House. It is a shelter for sexually exploited and youth at risk.

meeting in regard to an unrelated matter. During this meeting, related that a female had told her that two police officers have picked up prostitutes and they do not pay for the first date, but pay after. This female advised that the police officers were KOHUT but that she has never been picked up by either of them. The name of the female is unknown.

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Cpl. STEVENSON contacted (MCF) was aware of this investigation and was asked to assist in attempting to interview these girls. had contacted Cpl. STEVENSON on several occasions indicating the girls are unwilling to provide statements.

On 2002-06-25, Cpl. Judy THOMAS met with information:

who provided the following

- Judge RAMSAY sat on the case.
- stated that after the case, RAMSAY had paid for her services.

On 2002-07-03, Cpl. THOMAS spoke with who is a Youth Around Prince George (YAP) worker.

- That she had worked with numerous female youth in Prince George and some have worked as prostitutes.
- Some have indicated they were picked up by Judge RAMSAY.

indicated that all these young women that Judge RAMSAY picks up are First Nation and all are afraid to come forward.

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advised these women are very fearful to go to court and it has even been more difficult with the Judge being in a position of authority and having the potential to hear their cases.

did not wish to provide the names of young women, as wished to respect their confidentiality.

indicated she is scared and does not want to come forward, but wants protection for her son. She fears Judge RAMSAY's position and authority.

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In conclusion, this file has been ongoing since 1999. The investigators involved have attempted to obtain statements from the young women believed to have information, but to this point, they have refused. They have however, made statements to other people who are in positions of authority and those people have given police statements in regard to the information they have received.

At this time, is unwilling to provide a statement. Attempts to speak with the other young women identified as possibly having information, have met with negative results. It appears the reason for lack of cooperation is due to fear that nothing will be done to a Judge of the Courts and the fear for their own personal safety if word gets out on the street that they have disclosed this information.

(M. S. STEVENSON) Cpl.

Prince George Serious Crime Unit

(C. J. GARRAWAY) S/Sgt.

G.I.S. Commander

(J. A THOMAS) Cpl.
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Update as of August 12th 2002.

The young ladies that I have met with are very reluctant to come forward. It is only through establishing trust that I have made any progress in this investigation. They have advised that they will not attend any police station to provide their statements as they do not trust any person in authority due to past encounters. These young ladies have been abused and threatened by people in authority (police officers) and now fear repercussions.

To date there have been three young ladies interviewed and they recount similar facts. The following are very brief accounts of what the females have disclosed regarding Judge Ramsay.

On August 7th 2002, Cpl. Thomas obtained a taped statement from .

She stated that in December 1999 she had been working as a prostitute in Prince George BC. She related that she had been picked up by a male she later learned was Judge Ramsay. He took her to a secluded location where he physically assaulted her and forced sexual intercourse with her. He did not pay her the agreed price and left her to walk back to town.

On August 8th 2002, Cpl. Thomas obtained a taped statement from

She stated that when she was 12 years old she was working as a prostitute on the streets of

Prince George. She was picked up by a male she later learned was Judge Ramsay. She
went with him on four occasions.

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All three of these young woman recount sexual exploitation and sexual assaults by on duty Police officers. They can not recall the names of these officers but would recognize them.

A lawyer and another prominent figure in this community has been named as being involved with some of these young ladies.

There is no doubt that these females have been traumatised by some of the people in our Judicial/legal system and have no trust and confidence in the system or people in authority.

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There are approximately five more woman that have been named as having personal knowledge in regards to Judge Ramsay. Cpl. Thomas is actively seeking out these victims in order to obtain statements from them. This information will be forwarded as soon as it is obtained.

(JA Thomas) Cpl.

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Update as of August 23rd 2002.

Numerous young women have been interviewed and have stated that they have not personally been involved with Judge Ramsay but have heard of other working girls "dating" him. They have provided names and these will be followed up on. There are now over more women named as having been with, or having knowledge, regarding Judge Ramsay's activities. Due to the life style of these people, they are hard to locate and do not reply to messages. Various agencies of the Ministry are actively assisting in trying to locate these women.

Currently there are four young woman who have disclosed that they have been with Judge Ramsay. As mentioned previously, there are many more named as possible victims. An update will be forwarded as soon as these people are located and interviewed.

(JA Thomas) Cpl.

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Update as of September 6th, 2002.

Numerous young ladies have been interviewed to date. Two more young women have disclosed that they have been with a Judge. This makes a total of six women that have provided statements in regards to the allegations against Judge Ramsay.

On September 5th 2002, Cpl. Thomas obtained a taped statement from She related that approximately two years ago (when she was 15 years old) she was picked up by an unknown male. They drove to a secluded spot and she was paid \$60.00. They engaged in a sexual he grabbed her by the hair and demanded his money back.

As she fled from the vehicle he threatened that if she told anyone he would have her killed. A few days later she was with a friend and saw the same male drive by. The friend stated he was Judge Ramsay and that she also had been with him. (this will be followed up on)

On September 5th 2002, Prince George RCMP responded to a call of a suicide attempt. Judge Ramsay was taken to Prince George Regional hospital after consuming a quantity of various poisonous liquids. He was listed in critical condition and today is now in stable condition.

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There are still four woman that may have been directly involved with Judge Ramsay and at least other woman that should be interviewed regarding knowledge or hearing disclosures. As previously mentioned these people are transient in nature and hard to locate. Once they are interviewed an update will be forwarded.

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Prince George Serious Crime Unit

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Update as of October 15th, 2002.

There were six young women to come forward and provide statements in relation to being paid money by Judge Ramsay in exchange for sex. Four of these women made allegations that during their encounter with him, there was either sexual abuse, physical abuse or threats.

There are still approximately women who have not been located and spoken to. Due to their transient life style and avoidance of the police it has been difficult to make contact with them. It is unknown if they are potential victims or have heard disclosures regarding these allegations. These interviews will be followed up on in the near future.

On October 2nd 2002, the Report to Crown Counsel was forwarded to Mr. Bob Gillen, Assistant Deputy Attorney General. It was requested the investigation be assigned a special prosecutor.

Information was received from Judge Burdett that Judge Ramsay has submitted his resignation. This will be effective October 31st 2002.

A report is being compiled in regards to other persons in authority (police officers) named in various offences. This will be forwarded to the anti-corruption unit.

(JA Thomas) Opl.

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PURPOSE:

 To respond to questions regarding the sexual assault investigations conducted by Prince George Detachment of former Provincial Court Judge David Ramsay.

ISSUE:

This briefing note is lengthy due to the time line of the investigation.

BACKGROUND:

- The matter was reported 99.04.01 to the Prince George Det. From that date forward numerous inquiries were made to obtain "first person" evidence to support allegations that the accused had sexually assaulted sex trade workers. Many of these sex trade workers were approached on numerous occasions, both by police and by social service agencies from the initial report up and to the time the first disclosure was made. These sex trade workers lacked trust in the judicial system, including police, and subsequently declined to provide statements or become involved.
- On 02.08.07, one of the victims appeared before the accused

 was so frustrated with the actions of the accused sitting as the Judge that she disclosed to friends and colleagues her sexual involvement and the assault on her by the accused. That disclosure was followed up by police. This resulted in a cascading effect with other alleged victims who began to disclose their involvement. It was not until this direct evidence was received on 02.08.07, that the investigation began to produce disclosures of evidentiary value. By 02.09.05 a sixth victim had provided a statement and consequently a Report to Crown Counsel was prepared and submitted by 02.10.02. Supplemental reports to Crown were submitted 03.03.31, 03.05.28, 03.09.23, 04.01.06, 04.03.03, and 04.03.29
- Allegations by the media criticizing the RCMP in taking three years to investigate the issue are unfounded. It is true that it was first reported in 1999 and charges not sworn until 2003. However, once victim evidence was presented first hand, it took less than seven weeks to prepare a report and forward it to Crown for charge approval.

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- The following is a time line of the investigation from the initial report until a Report to Crown
 Counsel was forwarded. This time line is not exhaustive of the investigation, but rather touches on
 the highlights of the action taken by the investigators that ultimately lead to charges being sworn.
- 99.04.01, the matter was reported third hand to police, from a Children's safe house coordinator, associated to the Ministry of Children and Family (MCF). Reports that a female victim known as (a sex trade worker) had disclosed she was having sex for money with a local Provincial Court Judge. Third hand information indicated Ramsey was the Judge.
- 99.04.08, the complainant in the matter approached to obtain further info to provide to police.
 It was known that the victim did not want to speak with police.
- 99.04.15, the initial investigator (Sgt. Nevison) was unable to contact the complainant and was away over next week and a half.
- 99.04.30, the investigator returns to duty and finds that
- 99.05.06, the complaint was unable to meet with to date.
- 99.05.12, the investigator was AOD.
- 99.05.20, the investigator was unable to arrange a meeting with the victim to date, and was now involved in a murder trial and being transferred.
- 99.06.07, the investigator was in touch with the complainant and learned that
 living in a safe house. The file was turned over to OIC to locate and assign an
 investigator, consideration being given to a female investigator.
- 99.06.11, the file was assigned to S/Sgt., Hamilton, NCO i/c GIS.
- 99.06.15 to 99.07.30, inquiries were being made to locate and a second possible victim, surfaced through social services/probation, court services.
- 99.07.30, was believed to be in Kamloops.
- 99.08.06, the file was assigned to S/Sgt. Kilden as S/Sgt. Hamilton transferred/retired.

 She stated that she will speak with a female member whom she has known from past encounters, Cst. Monfette. This member's next on shift was on 99.08.09.
- 99.08.09, Cpl. Thomas becomes the investigator and makes arrangements to meet a youth worker with knowledge of the matter on 99.08.10 for the purpose of a statement.
- 99.08.10, a statement from a youth worker indicated that has disclosed to her that Judge

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Ramsay is the alleged culprit. Arrangements made to meet with

- 99.08.11, the investigator met with She refused to provide a statement stating she feared for her safety, that other associated street workers would assault her. She indicated that she may provide a statement in October 1999
- 99.08.19, the investigator speaks with again. She did not want to speak until
- 99.11.02, the investigator contacts to interview her but she
- 99.11.05, the investigator learns from youth workers that does not want to speak with an investigator.
- 2000, follow-up investigation was conducted with different social agencies and workers. No direct
 evidence was gleaned during these inquiries or interviews. Again conjecture and rumours were
 being followed up. This follow-up included speaking with on 00.11.24, who again would not
 give a statement.
- 01.01.04, Cst. Monfette spoke with again. She declined to provide a statement as she had no trust in judicial system.
- 01.06.01, Cpl. Thomas transferred to UN duties in Kosovo and the file was turned over to Cst. Meisner for follow-up. There was little follow-up during this period.
- 01.10.30, the file was turned over to Cst. Stevenson for follow-up as Cst. Meisner was seconded to other duties.
- 01.12.18, Cpl. Stevenson involves MCF workers in an effort to have possible victims cooperate with the police investigation.
- 02.06.27, efforts by MCF workers were not fruitful. Cpl. Thomas returns to the file as the investigator.
- 02.08.07, a victim, identified as provides a statement after becoming frustrated when she appeared before Judge Ramsay After the hearing she disclosed to those around her that she had been sexually involved with Ramsay and related how she had been assaulted by him. A statement was obtained from James who is the first victim to provide a direct statement regarding involvement of Judge Ramsay. This disclosure acted as a catalyst for other victims to provide statements. This was the first piece of direct evidence linking Ramsay to offences.

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- 02.08.08, a statement was obtained from who was another victim of Judge Ramsay. This was the second statement with direct evidence.
- 02.08.09, a statement was obtained from the original victim identified,
 statement with direct evidence against Judge Ramsay.
- 02.08.22, a statement was obtained from the fourth victim to supply direct evidence against Judge Ramsay.
- 02.08.22, a statement was obtained from
 Judge Ramsay.

 the fifth victim to supply direct evidence against
- 02.09.05, a sixth statement from victim implicating Judge Ramsay was obtained.
- 02.10.02, an RTCC was completed and presented to the Assistant Deputy Attorney General for the Province of BC for the assigning of a special prosecutor and ultimately for charge approval.
- 03.03.12, an information charging Ramsay was sworn at Prince George.
- The media requested an interview with the lead investigator, Cpl. Judy Thomas. This was agreed to. It was felt that this was an opportunity to bring to the forefront the victimization of sexually exploited youths. It was a chance to recognize the courage these victims had in coming forward, It was an opportunity to recognize the human nature of these victims who are normally marginalised by society. Certainly the local media recognized these issues. Cpl. Thomas is a member of CASEY (Community Against Sexually Exploited Youths) and in fact sits on that board. There are many First Nations people on the committee. There have been no concerns brought forward to the detachment from the First Nations community.
- Ramsay entered a plea of guilty to the charges. As such, there was no concern with appeal issues.

CURRENT STATUS:

A spinoff of this the Ramsay investigation, the social workers involved have reported that a few members of Prince George Detachment may have been sexually involved with some of the victims. This aspect is still under investigation and will be reported separately. Again, this is a situation where a sex trade worker has told her social worker that although she has not had sex with a member of the detachment, she knows someone who has. But, the name of that "someone" is not revealed.

SOURCE: Insp. G. Funk, Ops Officer Prince George Detachment

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BRIEFING NOTE TO THE COMMISSIONER

NOTE D'INFORMATION COMMISSAIRE

ISSUE:

National news media attention regarding the Sexual Assault investigation of former Judge Ramsay which criticized the RCMP.

CURRENT STATUS:

Ex-Provincial Court Judge Ramsay was sentenced to seven years for Breach of Trust and Sexual assault on June 01, 2004. On June 02, 2004, at the request of the media, the primary investigator was made available to answer questions during a press conference. After the interview of the investigator, media reports questioned the timeliness and thoroughness of the investigation.

BACKGROUND:

The captionally noted matter first came to the attention of police via third hand information during April 1999. The reports rumoured that a Provincial Court Judge was utilizing and abusing the services of local sex trade workers. Interviews were conducted from April 1999 until August 2002 when the investigator was able to identify and obtain a statement from the first victim/sex trade worker. Following this disclosure three additional victims/sex trade workers provided corroborating statements over the course of approximately one month. A report to Crown Council was forwarded on Sept 27, 2002, recommending charges. These charges were approved and sworn on March 03, 2003. The investigation was lengthy and difficult due to the victims' mistrust and fear of all aspects of the judicial system.

SOURCE: Insp. Greg Funk, Ops Officer Prince George Detachment

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ISSUE:

National Media interest to Prince George Sexual Exploitation investigation involving British Columbia Provincial Court Judge David Ramsay.

CURRENT STATUS:

On March 13, 2003, David William Ramsay was charged by direct indictment in Prince George Supreme Court. Being that Mr. Ramsay elected Supreme Court Judge alone, some of the previously proposed charges were encompassed into a single count. There was a total of 10 counts laid. These included:

Person J Count 1 - Section 212(4) - obtain for money the sexual services of a person under 18.

Count 2 - Section 272 - sexual assault causing bodily harm.

Person H Count 3 - Section 212(4) - obtain for money the sexual services of a person under 18.

Count 4 - Section 151 - touch for a sexual purpose a person under 14.

Count 5 - Section 152 - invite a person under 14 to touch for sexual purposes.

Count 6 - Section 271 - sexual assault.

Person A Count 7 - Section 212(4) - obtain for money the sexual services of a person under 18.

Count 8 - Section 122 - Breach of trust.

Person C Count 9 - Section 212(4) - obtain for money the sexual services of a person under 18.

Count 10 - Section 272 - sexual assault accompanied by threats and/or use of a weapon.

Mr. Ramsay was released on the following conditions:

At the request of the Special Prosecutor, the Court ordered a ban on publication. The next court appearance for Mr. Ramsay will be May 23, 2003, to set a Court date for trial. Two other young women have recently come forward and these allegations are currently being investigated. It is felt that with the current charges being laid, more victims may come forward.

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BACKGROUND:

Prince George Serious Crime Unit conducted an extensive sexual exploitation investigation regarding street trade workers in 1999. Street workers ranging in age from 14 to 18 made disclosures alleging Judge Ramsay of assault, sexual assault and using his office to force them into prostitution. The Chief Judge of the Provincial Court was informed of the investigation during its infancy. Judge Ramsay was removed from the bench. The allegations were substantiated and a Report to Crown Counsel was submitted. Judge Ramsay's formal resignation became effective October 31, 2002.

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March 14, 2003

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(JA Thomas) Cpl.
Prince George Serious Crime Unit

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Update as of February 13th 2003

To date there have been seven women come forward to make allegations against Mr. Ramsay. Six of these young women have provided formal statements. The Special Prosecutor has personally met and spoken to four of these youth and they have advised they are willing to testify in court. In conjunction with the special prosecutors office and the RCMP it is agreed that there is evidence for twenty-three counts to be laid (with the potential of up to 30 charges). These charges include:

Sec. 212(4) engage for money sexual services of a female under the age of 18 years

Sec. 272 sexual assault

Sec. 151 sexual interference

Sec. 122 breach of trust

Sec. 88 possession of a weapon

Sec. 264.1 utter threats

It has been agreed that these charges against Mr. Ramsay, will be laid by direct indictment in Supreme court with the authority of the Attorney General. There will be various conditions of release necessary to satisfy the community interest and safety of the public.

(JA Thomas) Cpl.

Prince George Serious Crime Unit

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ISSUE:

National Media interest to Prince George Sexual Exploitation investigation involving British Columbia Provincial Court Judge David Ramsey.

CURRENT STATUS:

Prince George Regional Crown Counsel Mr. Ray Hall has been advised of the pending release to the media. Mr. Brian Rendall, Issues Management for the Attorney General, is developing their own press release. The RCMP release will only confirm Prince George Detachment has conducted a long term extensive investigation regarding street trade workers and a member of the judiciary and a special prosecutor is currently reviewing the evidence. The RCMP will not be releasing any names at this point. The Chief Judge of the Provincial Court is being made aware as she may field some calls from the media.

BACKGROUND:

Prince George Serious Crime Unit has conducted an extensive sexual exploitation investigation regarding street trade workers in 1999. Street workers ranging in age from 14 to 18 made disclosures alleging Judge Ramsey of assault, sexual assault and using his office to force them into prostitution. The Chief Judge of the Provincial Court was informed of the investigation during its infancy. Judge Ramsey was removed from the bench. The allegations were substantiated and a Report to Crown Counsel was submitted. Judge Ramsey's formal resignation became effective today.

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Former Provincial Court Judge David Ramsay plead guilty to four counts of sex related offences and one count of breach of trust on 2004.05.03. He was sentenced today.

Current Status:

PG File 1999-22969

Both Crown and Defence made final submissions towards sentencing this date. The court sentenced Ramsay to seven years imprisonment on the one count of breach of trust, and five years on each count of sexual assault, to be served concurrent.

There were protestors at the court house site, however they were lawfully and peacefully assembled. There were no incidents that required police intervention.

Background:

Sentencing had been set for 2004.06.01 and a large turn out of people/protestors was expected. There were indications through the media and other sources, that Aboriginal people from across the Province and region were not satisfied with the five year sentence that Crown had proposed. Indications were that these people were planning to gather at the court house in Prince George in protest and it had been suggested that there may be as many as 300 people in attendance. Actual numbers of people was estimated at approximately 150 persons including media.

Prepared by Insp. Greg Funk Operations Officer Prince George Det "E" Div



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RE: Ramsay, David Sexual assaults "et al" Prince George Detachment Case (Org) PG File 1999-22969

Update as April 30th 2004

Mr Ramsay was charged with 10 counts of sexual assault and one count of breech of trust. The court case is commencing on Monday, May 3rd 2004 and is set for three weeks. Mr Ramsay has elected Judge alone and as of this date, the name of the Supreme Court Judge has not been made public.

We expect to have a lot of public interest, as well as a huge media presence at this trial. The Sheriff's office, in conjunction with the Vancouver Integrated threat assessment unit, is currently setting up security at the Court house. Our detachment has been in contact with the sheriff's office and we have set up various strategies to ensure there are no security issues. Our detachment has also met with the Ministry for Children and Families and developed a strategy to address media concerns.

The four young women, who came forward with these allegations, With the willingness of these victims I feel this case will be a success.

We will be forwarding a report at the end of each week unless urgent issues develop.

Cpl. Judy Thomas Serious Crime Unit Prince George Detachment Sgt Quintin Smith NCO i/c Serious Crime Prince George Detachment

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RE: Ramsay, David (Former Provincial Court Judge) Sexual assaults "et al" Prince George Detachment Case (Org) PG File 1999-22969

Update as of May 27th 2004

On May 3rd 2004 Mr. Ramsay entered a guilty plea to four counts of sex related offences and one count of breach of trust.

Sentencing has been set for June 1st 2004 and we are expecting a large turn out of people. There are indications through the media and other sources, that the Aboriginal people are not satisfied with the five year sentence that Crown has proposed. Indications are that the Aboriginal people are planning to gather in Prince George in protest and it has been suggested that there may be as many as 300 people in attendance.

Our detachment has been in contact with the Sheriff's Integrated Threat Assessment unit and have set up various strategies to address this issue.

On Monday March 31st, our detachment and the Sheriff's office are meeting with some of the leaders of the various groups to advise them on the court room procedures, security issues and limited seating capacity within the court room. This is to ensure that they are all informed so it does not create problems at court.

It is expected that Mr. Ramsay will be sentenced on this date (June 1st) and arrangements have been made to transport him to an undisclosed location.

A follow up report will be forwarded upon conclusion of this court date.

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RAMSAY; David William (dob: 1943-04-19)

Sexual Assault Sec. 271 CCC et al Prince George, BC ~ 1992 to 2002 Prince George Detachment Case (Org.)

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1. On July 15th, 2004, the Prince George Detachment Serious Crime Unit was contacted by Assistant Deputy Attorney General Mr. Robert GILLEN, in reference to the Judge RAMSAY investigation. Our assistance was requested in conducting a paper review of the cases where former Judge RAMSAY presided over issues involving the Suspected Victims of former Judge RAMSAY.

On July 23rd, 2004, Mr. GILLEN was asked to clarify Prince George Detachment Serious Crime Unit role within the file review. Mr. GILLEN supplied the attached scanned letter as clarification, which I have summaries as follows:





a. The review will take the form of a paper follow up.

b. We will be responsible for assisting Mr. J. SWANSON of the Prince George Crown Office with the collection of Criminal Case Files where the former Judge RAMSAY presided over cases involving Suspected Victims.

c. We will be responsible for assisting Mr. B. GILSON on contract to the Attorney Generals Office to research Civil Case Files where the former Judge RAMSAY presided over a case involving one of the named victims.

d. This task will involve the collection of documentation from the Ministry of Children, Families and Development (MCF&D). Court orders or consents may be required to access these records.

e. Review if required police records regarding the victims identified.

f. Scanned Letter from Assistant Deputy Attorney General Mr. Robert GILLEN

2. Mandate:

- a. File review to be from 1990 (David RAMSAY called to the bench) to July 25th, 2002 when David RAMSAY was placed on administrative leave.
- b. To conduct a review of police case files involving MCF&D, Criminal File, or Youth Files where the indicated victims appeared before former Judge RAMSAY.
- c. To provide Assistant Deputy Attorney General Mr. Robert GILLEN or his designate with the documentation gathered from the police case files, thereby allowing for an appropriate assessment of the conduct of former Judge RAMSAY by the Attorney General Office.

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RAMSAY; David William (dob: 1943-04-19)

Sexual Assault Sec. 271 CCC et al Prince George, BC ~ 1992 to 2002 Prince George Detachment Case (Org.)

d. For the purposes of this investigation the following persons case files will be acquired for review by the Attorney Generals Office or his designated:

- d. Persons will only be added to the aforementioned list under the following conditions:
 - i. If they have been previously interviewed / approached by police as part of the former Judge RAMSAY investigation; and approved by the Team Commander or his designate;

3. Methodology:

- a. Information Management / File Management
 - i. CIT will be constructed as pers MCM:
 - 1. Team Commander: Sgt. Q. SMITH.
 - 2. Primary Investigator: Cpl. J. THOMAS
 - 3. File Coordinator: Cst. S. McKELVIE
 - 4. Investigator: Cpl. M. STEVENSON
 - ii. File will be in a electronic format using IHIT rules with Task Detail Forms and Task Action Forms.
 - iii. Task Detail Forms will be transmitted to the investigator via "E" Mail.
 - iv. Task Action Report will be transmitted to the File Coordinator by the investigator by "E" Mail with a copy to the Primary Investigator.
 - v. Tasks will follow the numbering convention already in place during phase I of the investigation.

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> Investigation will be disclosed in a electronic format, collected ۷İ. documentation as well as written report to Assistant Deputy Attorney General Mr. Robert GILLEN will be contained on a CD Disk.

Documentation Control: b.

All documents for phase II will be scanned and associated with their i. appropriate task / victim.

Investigational Time Frame: 4.

This investigational phase commence July 12th to 13th, 2004, with a projected completion date of August 12th, 2004.

Q. G. SMITH; Sgt.

NCO i/c Serious Crime Unit Prince George Detachment

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- The second phase of the investigation as per the Assistant Deputy Attorney General Mr. Robert GILLEN instructions is progressing well. Following a meeting on July 21at, 2004, with Mr. J. SWANSON Prince George Regional Crown Counsel and Mr. B. GILSON (Lawyer contracted by Assistant Deputy Attorney to assist with the civil aspect) it became apparent that our participation was not limited to Prince George but the province both R.C.M.P. and Non R.C.M.P. agencies. On the surface this may seem like a major undertaking, however, given that we are only examining the records related to the documented victims the task is not as extensive as it first appears.
- The investigation is currently at the stage where we have obtained all the raw data concerning the victim's charges and forwarded same to Mr. SWANSON. Mr. SWANSON will then advise us of which case the former Judge RAMSAY presided over and we will in turn supply him with as copy of the file for review by the Assistant Deputy Attorney's office. We anticipate that the number of files concerned will be limited.
- 7. Given our expanded participation the dead line of August 12th, 2004, is not realistic as we are relying on Regional Crown Counsel's time line which we have no control over. I have therefore, revised the deadline for October 15th, 2004, or sooner.

Q. G. SMITH; Sgt. NCO i/c Serious Crime Unit Prince George Detachment J. A. THOMAS; Cpl. Serious Crime Unit

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